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## THE TEMPLE

AFTER RESCUING PROFESSOR BARNSTORFF AND HIS DAUGHTER JANE FROM THE CLUTCHES OF NAZI COLONEL LEERMEISTER, TOM CORY A.K.A. ROCKET RANGER FLEW TO CHINA TO MAKE A SURPRISE ATTACK ON A GERMAN RADAR INSTALLATION. BUT...

AT LEAST NOW I CAN ***SEE*** THE PLACE.

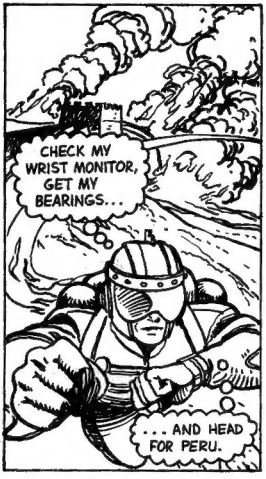
IF I KEEP MOVING, I SHOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE ENOUGH OUT TO GIVE ME A CLEAR SHOT AT THE RADAR DISHES.

BWAM!

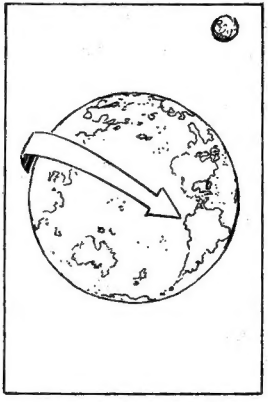
MASTER RACE? I DON'T ***THINK*** SO!

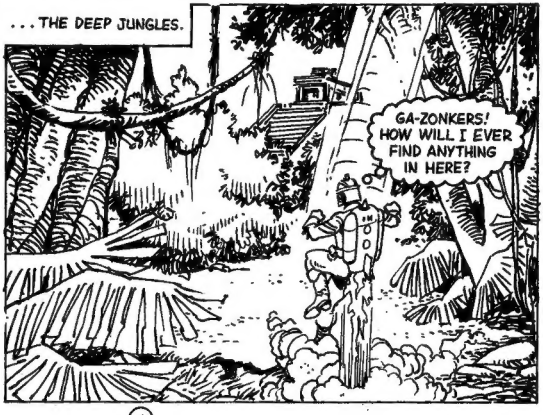
SHEESH! THAT WAS CLOSE.
THESE GUYS MIGHT NOT BE SO OUT OF PRACTICE AFTER ALL...
BAROOM!
BROM
THIS ACK-ACK IS RIGHT ON TOP OF ME.
UH-OH. MY ROCKET PACK!
BRAAN!
FZZZT
I SHOULDN'T HAVE OPENED MY BIG MOUTH.

C'MON YOU STUPID ROCKET-- WORK!
THERE IT IS. SMILING RIGHT AT ME.
LET'S SEE HOW BRIGHT YOU CAN SHINE...
NOW THAT WAS TOO CLOSE!
VOWW
...AND HOW FAST YOU CRUMBLE.




FOLLOWING THE COORDINATES ON HIS WRIST WATCH, ROCKET RANGER HOMES IN ON...





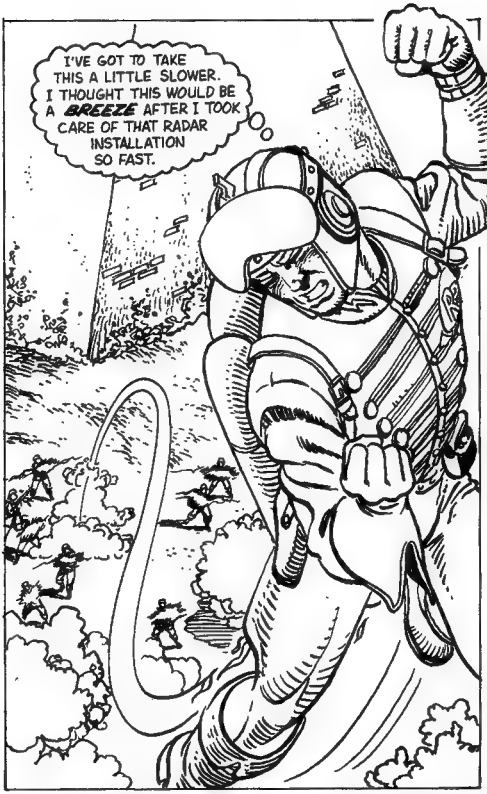
BETTER BE CAREFUL NOT TO START A JUNGLE FIRE. WHO'D PUT THE THING OUT?
FWOOSH
LOOKS LIKE SOMEBODY'S BEEN MOVING AROUND DOWN HERE. I'LL JUST FOLLOW THIS PATH AND SEE WHERE IT TAKES ME.
BOY, JANE SURE WAS LOOKING REALLY GOOD. I'M GLAD SHE REMEMBERED ME...
WHAT!?! IT'S A ROCKET SHIP! BUT THE FOLIAGE IS TOO THICK IN HERE FOR ME TO FLY.
GOTTA HURRY!

MEANWHILE, BACK IN FORT DIX, NEW JERSEY...
GENERAL BRADY! WHAT BRINGS YOU HERE?
MP
I'M AFRAID I HAVE SOME VERY DISTURBING NEWS, BILL.
WHAT SORT OF NEWS?
THE PROFESSOR IS STILL IN NAZI HANDS.
WHAT!?! NOW?
EVIDENTLY, THE RESCUE BY ROCKET RANGER WENT DOWN WITHOUT A HITCH, BUT THE PARTISAN TURNED OUT TO BE A NAZI SPY.
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT.
WHERE IS ROCKET RANGER NOW?
I HAVEN'T HEARD FROM HIM SINCE HE LEFT HERE.
I CAN'T HONESTLY SAY.

OUCH! OWW!
THIS JUNGLE IS MURDER ON THE FEET.
IT'S ABOUT TO PUT DOWN SOMEWHERE. I GUESS I WAS CLOSER THAN I THOUGHT.
Ho-oleee! THIS IS CRAZY!
HOW COULD AGENT X-2 EVER HAVE FOUND THIS PLACE?
THIS IS INGENIOUS. THIS IS--

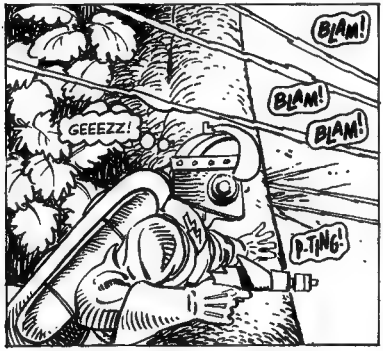
VAS!?!
Uh-oh.

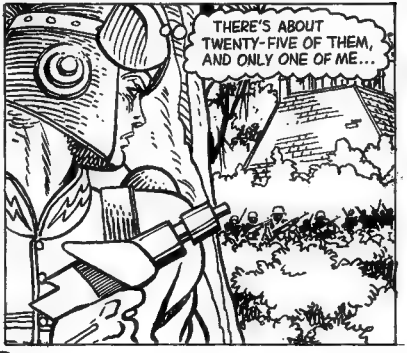
AFTER DESTROYING A RADAR INSTALLATION ALONG THE GREAT WALL OF CHINA, TOM CORY, A.K.A. ROCKET RANGER FLEW DIRECTLY TO PERU TO FIND A WELL-HIDDEN NAZI ROCKET BASE. AFTER A TREK THROUGH THE THICK JUNGLE, HE FOUND IT AND...
FIRE AT VILL!
I GUESS THAT'S MY CUE TO VAMOOSE.
ROCKET RANGER
NAZI RUINS
MOVE IT, TOM!
<GET HIM! DO NOT LET HIM ESCAPE!>*
*<TRANSLATED FROM GERMAN!>
<BRING HIM DOWN AT ANY COSTS!>


I'VE GOT TO TAKE THIS A LITTLE SLOWER. I THOUGHT THIS WOULD BE A BREEZE AFTER I TOOK CARE OF THAT RADAR INSTALLATION SO FAST.

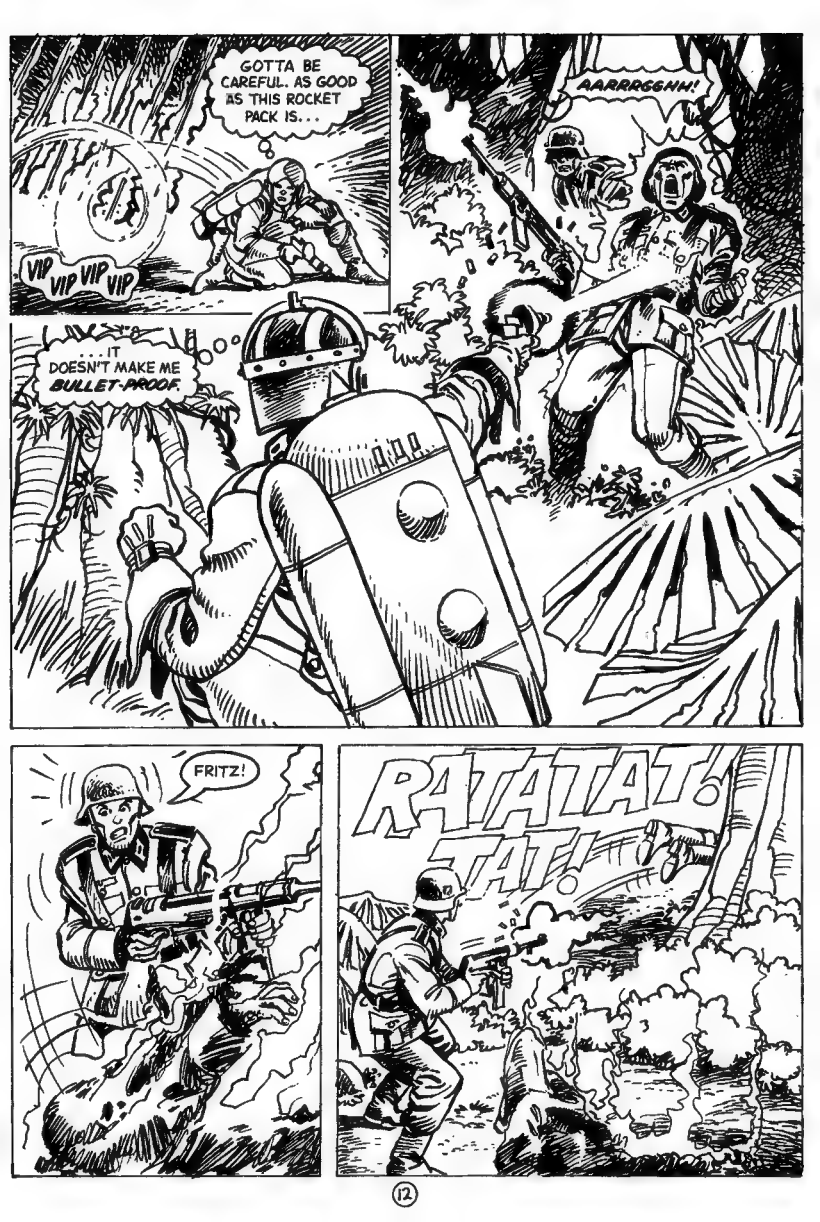
TIME FOR A LITTLE SHOOTOUT.

WESTERN STYLE!


BLAM!
BLAM!
BLAM!
GEEEZZ!
P-TING!

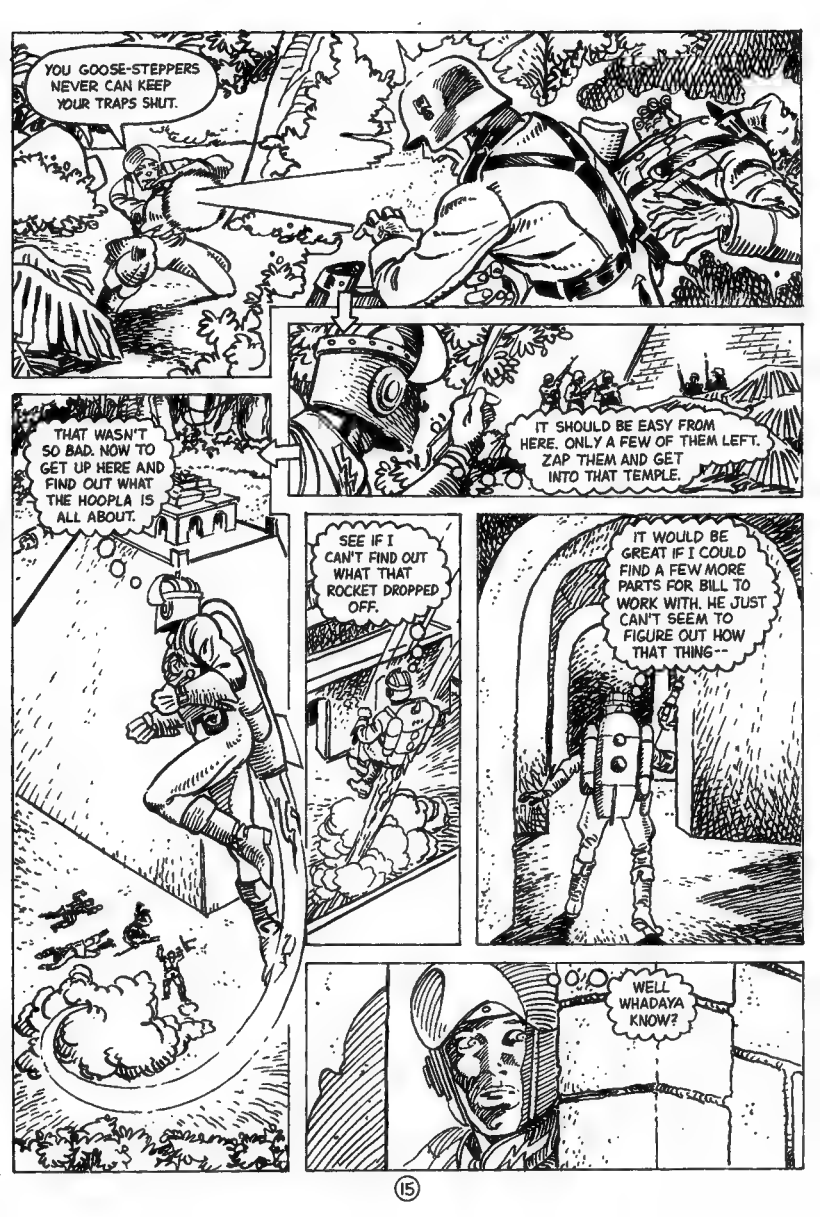

THERE'S ABOUT TWENTY-FIVE OF THEM, AND ONLY ONE OF ME...

THIS MIGHT TAKE SOME TIME.
"ESPECIALLY IF I HAVE TO GO THROUGH THEM ONE AT A TIME."
GOTCHA!
AAAIIIEEE!
TIME TO DO SOME MOVING AROUND, GET THIS SHOW ON THE ROAD.
FIRE! KILL THE AMERIKANER!

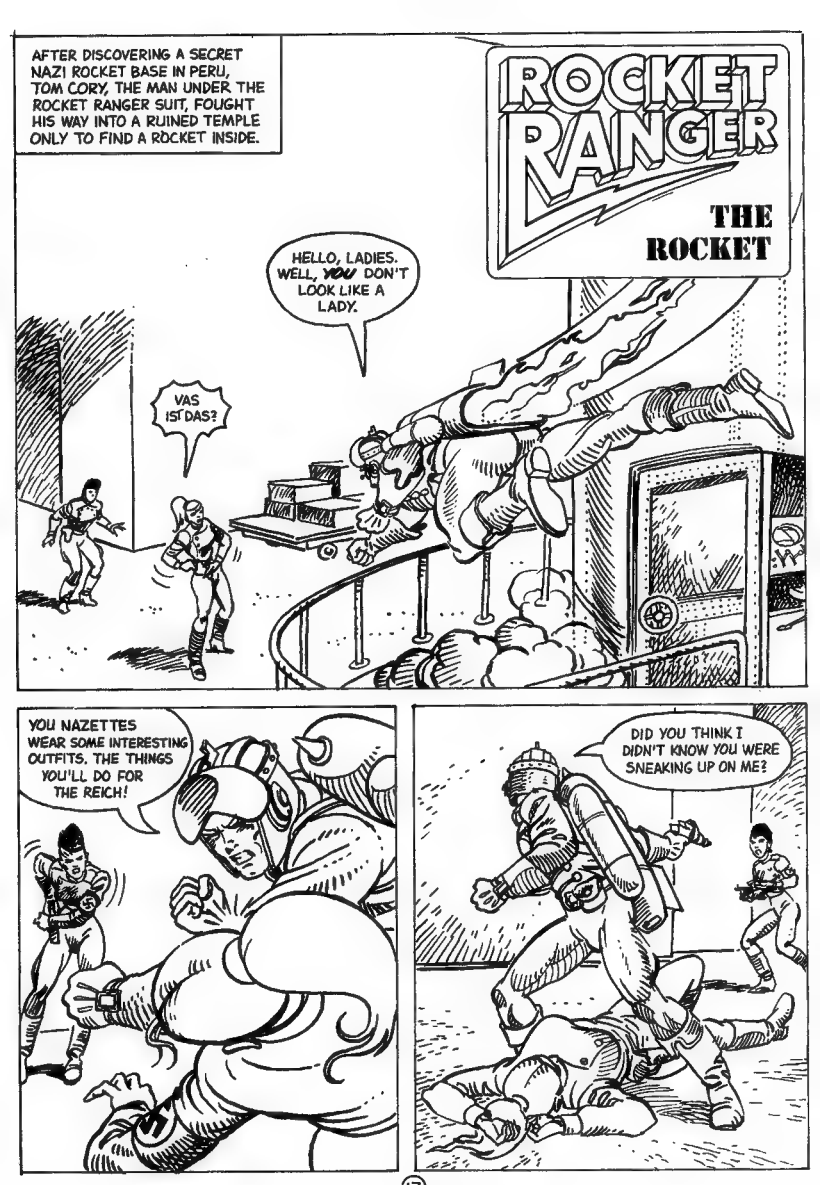

GOTTA BE CAREFUL. AS GOOD AS THIS ROCKET PACK IS...
VIP VIP VIP VIP
AARRRGHH!
...IT DOESN'T MAKE ME BULLET-PROOF.
FRITZ!
RATATAT! TAT!

WONDER IF THESE GUYS CAN HIT A MOVING TARGET?
WONDER IF I CAN HIT SOMETHING WHILE I'M MOVING.
"APPARENTLY SO."
I NEED TO THINK OF SOMETHING NEW. THEY'RE GOING TO CATCH ON TO ME FLYING IN A MINUTE.
AT LEAST I'VE CUT THEM DOWN TO ABOUT HALF. I CAN--
Oh, no--

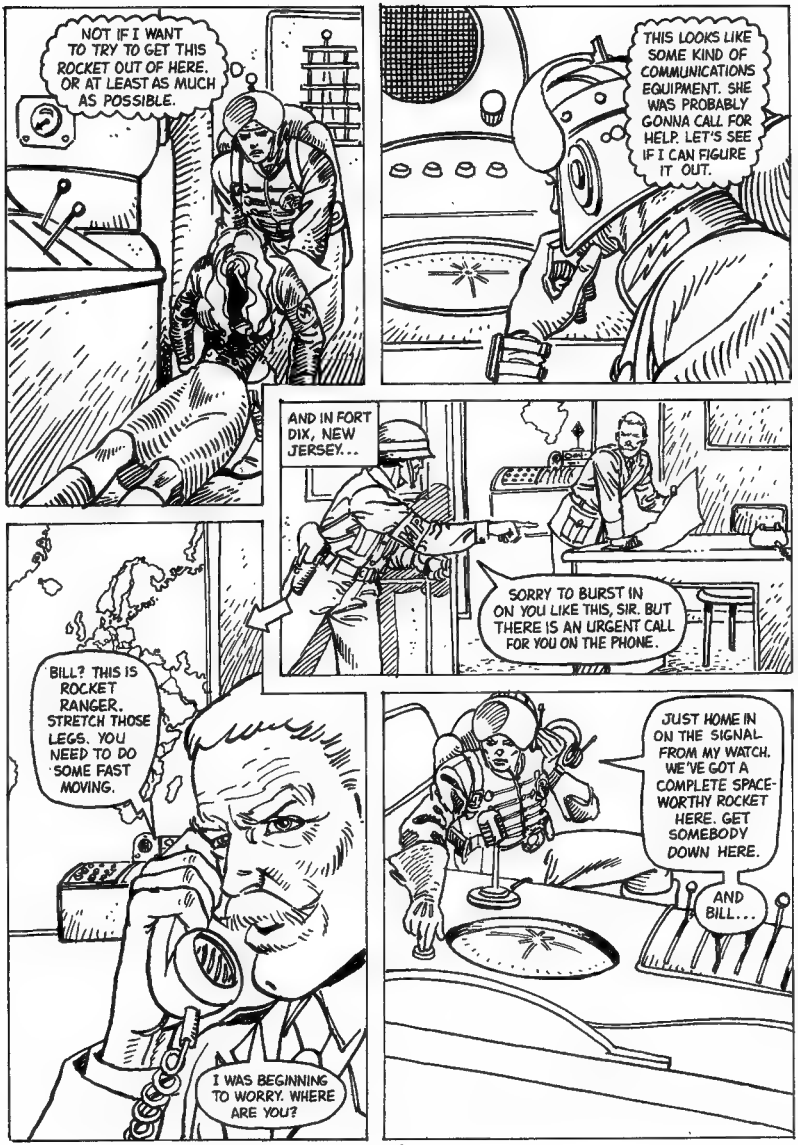
UUGGHHHH!
SMASH!
THAT'S WHAT I GET FOR NOT WATCHING WHERE I'M GOING. I'LL HAVE A HEADACHE FOR A WEEK!
BET THOSE RATZIS GOT A GOOD CHUCKLE OUT OF IT.
GOTTA GET MY GUN...
<THERE HE IS!>
UH-OH.

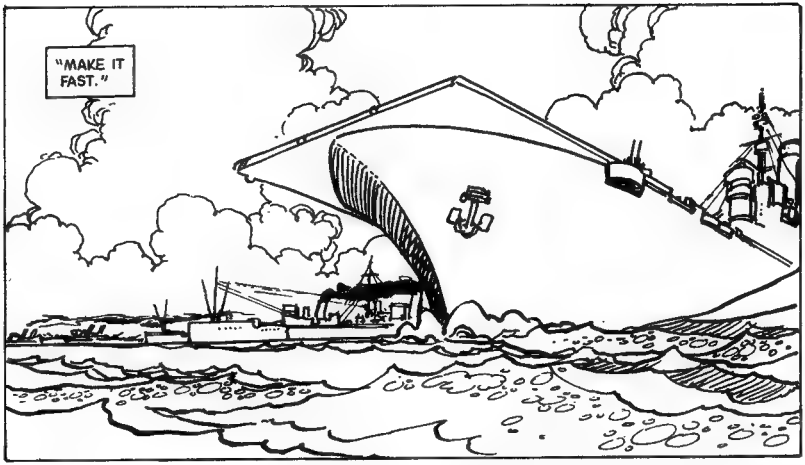

YOU GOOSE-STEPPERS NEVER CAN KEEP YOUR TRAPS SHUT.
IT SHOULD BE EASY FROM HERE. ONLY A FEW OF THEM LEFT. ZAP THEM AND GET INTO THAT TEMPLE.
THAT WASN'T SO BAD. NOW TO GET UP HERE AND FIND OUT WHAT THE HOOPLA IS ALL ABOUT.
SEE IF I CAN'T FIND OUT WHAT THAT ROCKET DROPPED OFF.
IT WOULD BE GREAT IF I COULD FIND A FEW MORE PARTS FOR BILL TO WORK WITH. HE JUST CAN'T SEEM TO FIGURE OUT HOW THAT THING--
WELL WHADAYA KNOW?

THE ROCKET ACTUALLY LANDED *INSIDE* THIS THING. IT'S NOT A TEMPLE AT ALL. HMMM... I DON'T SEE ANY MEN.
THE CRATES THOSE WOMEN ARE UNLOADING MUST BE *LUNARIUM*.


AFTER DISCOVERING A SECRET NAZI ROCKET BASE IN PERU, TOM CORY, THE MAN UNDER THE ROCKET RANGER SUIT, FOUGHT HIS WAY INTO A RUINED TEMPLE ONLY TO FIND A ROCKET INSIDE.
ROCKET RANGER
THE ROCKET
HELLO, LADIES. WELL, YOU DON'T LOOK LIKE A LADY.
VAS IST DAS?
YOU NAZETTES WEAR SOME INTERESTING OUTFITS. THE THINGS YOU'LL DO FOR THE REICH!
DID YOU THINK I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE SNEAKING UP ON ME?

GOT YA!
DON'T BE IN TOO BIG A HURRY, FRITZETTE! I'M NOT FINISHED YET.
GET OUT OF HERE! I TOOK CARE OF THE GUARDS OUTSIDE, SO RUN!
GOTTA BE CAREFUL. SHE'S PROBABLY TRYING TO SET SOME KIND OF TRAP FOR ME.
WHAT IS THIS?
SORRY TO HAVE TO SHOOT YOU IN THE BACK, BUT I'VE GOT NO TIME TO DEAL WITH YOU.


NOT IF I WANT TO TRY TO GET THIS ROCKET OUT OF HERE, OR AT LEAST AS MUCH AS POSSIBLE.
THIS LOOKS LIKE SOME KIND OF COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. SHE WAS PROBABLY GONNA CALL FOR HELP. LET'S SEE IF I CAN FIGURE IT OUT.
AND IN FORT DIX, NEW JERSEY...
SORRY TO BURST IN ON YOU LIKE THIS, SIR. BUT THERE IS AN URGENT CALL FOR YOU ON THE PHONE.
BILL? THIS IS ROCKET RANGER. STRETCH THOSE LEGS. YOU NEED TO DO SOME FAST MOVING.
I WAS BEGINNING TO WORRY. WHERE ARE YOU?
JUST HOME IN ON THE SIGNAL FROM MY WATCH. WE'VE GOT A COMPLETE SPACE-WORTHY ROCKET HERE. GET SOMEBODY DOWN HERE.
AND BILL...


"MAKE IT FAST."

HOPE THEY HURRY AND GET HERE. I'VE BEEN AT THIS FOR ALMOST THE WHOLE DAY.

HOPE THAT EXPLOSION SAYS "MADE IN THE U.S.A."!

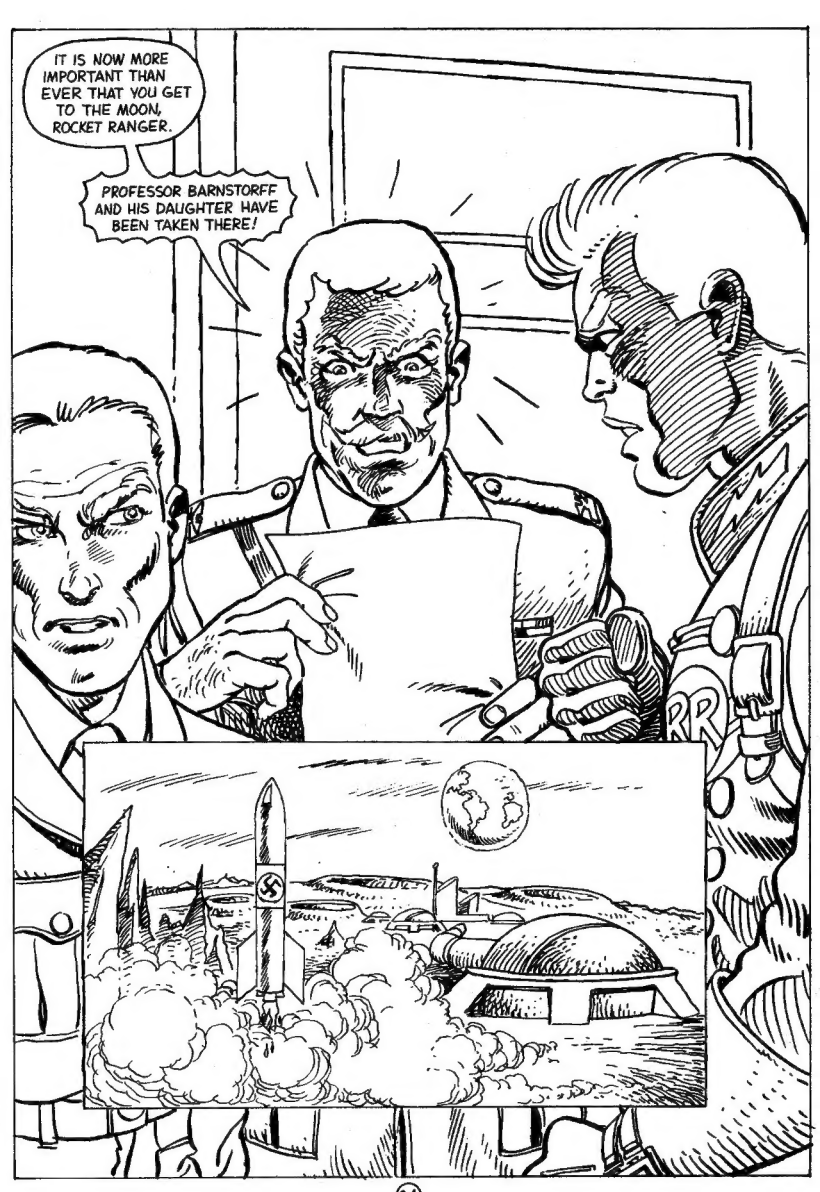
THERE THEY ARE, MEN. GET 'EM!

GLAD YOU BOYS COULD MAKE IT.

WE JUST HAPPENED TO BE IN THE AREA, OR YOU'D'A HAD A LOT LONGER WAIT.
WELL, YOU'RE HERE, AND THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS.
NOW IF YOU'LL EXCUSE ME, I THINK I'LL BE HEADING BACK TO THE STATES.
I THINK YOU CAN HANDLE IT HERE.
LATER...
AH, HOME SWEET HOME!
BACK IN THE STATES. MORE SPECIFICALLY...
...FORT DIX.
ROCKET RANGER! IT SURE IS GOOD TO SEE YOU ALIVE.
I HAD MYSELF WORRIED A FEW TIMES.

YOU WON'T BELIEVE THE ROCKET. I SAW IT LAND SO I KNOW IT WILL WORK.
THAT'S GOOD. I HAVEN'T BEEN ABLE TO MAKE HEADS OR TAILS OUT OF THOSE PARTS YOU GOT FROM AFRICA.
HOW'S THE PROFESSOR AND JANE?
I'M AFRAID I'VE GOT SOME BAD NEWS...
THE PARTISAN YOU TURNED THEM OVER TO WAS A NAZI SPY. THEY ARE BACK IN GERMAN HANDS.
I SHOULD'VE BROUGHT THEM BACK MYSELF.
THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD HAVE KNOWN.
I'LL GO BACK TO GERMANY AND GET THEM.
BUT FIRST, COME INTO THE WAR ROOM AND LET ME SHOW YOU--

THE FIRST THING I'M GONNA DO IS GET SOME REST.
"I'VE FLOWN STRAIGHT THROUGH TO CHINA, BLEW UP SOME RADAR DISHES THERE, AND WITHOUT STOPPING..."
...FLEW TO PERU AND HAD IT OUT WITH THE NAZI GOONS UNTIL OUR BOYS COULD GET THERE AND THEN I FLEW BACK HERE.
I'M BEAT!
UNDERSTOOD. WE'LL CATCH YOU UP TO DATE AND EH--?
'SCUSE ME, SIR.
THERE'S AN URGENT MESSAGE WE'VE JUST RECEIVED. FOR YOUR EYES ONLY, SIR.
OH...MY ...WORD!


IT IS NOW MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER THAT YOU GET TO THE MOON, ROCKET RANGER.
PROFESSOR BARNSTORFF AND HIS DAUGHTER HAVE BEEN TAKEN THERE!

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